

Plaintiff filed an Amended Complaint (document #12) on February 27, 2013, approximately twelve (12) days after receiving “Defendant’s Motion to Dismiss” (document #11). Therefore, he may amend his pleading as a matter of course under Rule 15(a)(1)(B).

It is well settled that an amended pleading supersedes the original pleading, and that motions directed at superseded pleadings are to be denied as moot. Young v. City of Mount Ranier, 238 F. 3d 567, 573 (4th Cir. 2001) (amended pleading renders original pleading of no effect); Turner v. Kight, 192 F. Supp. 2d 391, 397 (D. Md. 2002) (denying as moot motion to dismiss original complaint on grounds that amended complaint superseded original complaint).

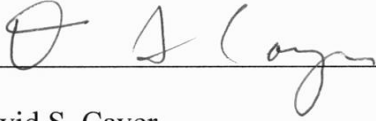
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. “Defendant’s Motion to Dismiss ...” (document #11) is administratively **DENIED** as moot without prejudice.

2. The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to counsel for the parties, including but not limited to moving counsel; and to the Honorable Robert J. Conrad, Jr..

SO ORDERED.

Signed: February 28, 2013



David S. Cayer
United States Magistrate Judge

